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## CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

(Only for Continuation/Divisional Applications Under 37 CFR 1.53d)) Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing CHECK BOX, if applicable [ ] DUPLICATE

Attorney Docket Number MRZ 8980 First Named Inventor David C. Carrithers et al.

Examiner Name M. Tesfamariam

Group Art Unit 2162 Express Mail Label Number EL879556987US 08/23/2002 BNGUYEN1 00000101 09399597

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Commissioner for Patents TO:

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Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a request for a [X] continuation or [ ] divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/399,597, filed on September 20, 1999, confirmation number 2447, entitled DEBIT CARD SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING INCENTIVE AWARD PROGRAM.

- Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on 1. under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- A preliminary amendment is enclosed. 2.
- This application is filed by fewer than all the 3. inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
  - [ ]DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior a. nonprovisional application:
  - [ ] The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a b. separate sheet attached hereto.
- A new power of attorney or authorization of agent is enclosed.

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[ ] Information Disclosure Statement is exclosed: a.[]PTO-1449 b.[]Copies of IDS Citations Total Claims  $28 - 20 = 8 \times $18.00 =$ Independent Claims  $8 - 3 = 5 \times $84.00 =$ \$144.00 \$420.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable) = \$740.00 Basic Fee = Total \$1,304.00 [ ] Applicant claims small entity status. 6. 7. [ ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345: Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16. a. [ ] Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17. [ ] Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18. Payment of the fee required for an extension of time to 8. and including <u>August 21, 2002</u> for filing a response to the Office action mailed February 21, 2002 is included herewith. 9. [X] A check in the amount of \$2,224.00 is enclosed. 10. Applicant requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (not to exceed 3 months) and the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed. 11. [ ] New Attorney Docket Number, if desired\_\_\_ Receipt for Facsimile Transmitted CPA 12. a. [] Return Receipt Postcard b. [X] [ ] Other:\_\_\_\_ 13.

Correspondence Address:

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[X] Same as prior application

Attention: <u>Frank R. Agovino</u>

Respectfully submitted,

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL

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### METHOD OF PAYMENT

- [ ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the indicated fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.
- [ ] Applicant claims small entity status.
- 2. [X] Check Enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any under payment or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

#### FEE CALCULATION

- 1. [X] BASIC FILING FEE Subtotal (1) \$740.00 (Type: <u>Utility-CPA</u>)
- 2. [X] EXTRA CLAIM FEES Subtotal (2) \$564.00

Total Claims <u>28</u>
Independent Claims <u>8</u>
Multiple Dependent Claims <u>0</u>

3. [X] ADDITIONAL FEES Subtotal (3) \$920.00

] Surcharge - late filing fee or oath

] Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet

X] Extension for reply within <u>sixth</u> month

] Notice of Appeal

[ ] Filing a Brief in Support of an appeal

[ ] Request for ex parte Reexamination

[ ] Petitions to the Commissioner

[ ] Submission of Information Disclosure Statement

[ ] Recording each patent assignment per property

[ ] Request for Continued Examination

[] Other: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT \$2,224.00

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